REMARKS

Claims 35-80 are pending in this application.

The Applicants thank the Examiner for finding patentable subject matter in the claims.

Claims 35-80 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-25 of U.S. Patent Number 6,101,484. The Applicants have attached an executed "Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection Over a Prior Patent" and, as such, the basis for the rejection should now be obviated. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request favorable action and allowance of claims 35-80.

For the reasons stated above, the Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are allowable and request that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner believes that direct contact with the Applicants' attorney will advance the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

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